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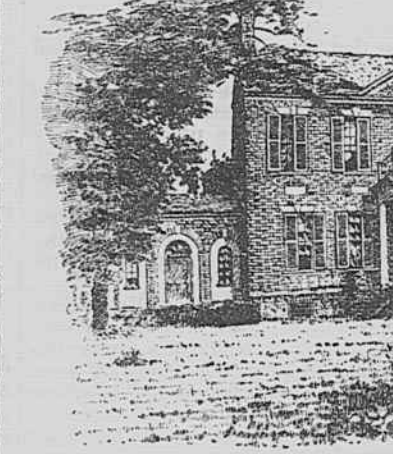
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EARLY VIRGINIA HISTORY.

WOODLAWN, THE HOME OF NELLIE CUSTIS LEWIS

No. 19.



The portrait of Miss Nellie Custis by Gilbert Stuart from which the accompanying engraving was taken, and which is now in possession of Prof. William F. Lee, of Lexington College, while it was considered by contemporary judges an excellent likeness, was too said to be one of the most beautiful faces the artist had painted in the colonies. Miss Nellie was frequently in the company of Mr. Stuart at Mount Vernon and other places, the result of which was a very cordial and enduring friendship. The portrait was one of the most attractive pictures of the rare paintings of the Arlington House, the residence of her brother, George W. Parke Custis, for about fifty years. It is the likeness of a maiden about eighteen years of age, the admired of all who attended the republican court during the last year of Washington's administration. She is dressed in a plain white garment, in the scant fashion of the day, one of her plump bare arms forming a conspicuous feature of the picture, her chin resting upon a finger of her gently closed hand. Her sweet smile, regular in every feature, is garlanded by her dark curls tastefully clustering about her forehead and temples, while her long hair gathered in an apparently careless manner on the top of her head, is secured by a cluster of white flowers. The whole picture is modest, simple, beautiful. Nellie Custis, as she was called in her maidenhood, was as witty as she was beautiful, quick of repartee, highly accomplished for no time, full of information, a good conversationalist, the life of any company whether young or old, and was much beloved by her foster father, the great patriot. When in June, 1775, Washington was appointed commander-in-chief of the continental army he appointed John Parke Custis, the father of "Nellie," on his staff in which capacity he served during most of the long conflict which followed. He was aide to Washington at the siege of Yorktown in the autumn of 1781 and was then a member of the Virginia assembly, but dying that year of fever his children, George and Eleanor, were left orphans, the former nearly three years old, and the latter only six months old, and became the adopted children of Washington and the fondly cared for inmates of the home at Mount Vernon. Here a private tutor of collegiate training was provided for them and under the watchful and exemplary care of their distinguished guardians their young minds were carefully developed for the practical duties of life.

Nellie was born at Abingdon on the Potomac, just above Four-mile run, March 21, 1778. Her mother was a descendant of Cecil Calvert Lord Baltimore. A paternal ancestor, John Parke, was at one time a member of parliament afterwards a soldier in Queen Anne's army in Holland and became an aide-de-camp of the renowned Marlborough at the battle of Blenheim in Germany, fought August 2, 1704. Marlborough commanded the English troops and Marshal Tallard those of France and Bavaria, who lost the day with many thousand slain and made prisoners. By the victory the electorate of Bavaria became the prize of the victors. Col. Parke had the honor of bearing the joyful intelligence to Queen Anne, who as a token of her regard gave him her miniature portrait set in diamonds, a thousand pounds sterling and appointed him governor of the Leeward Islands. Washington had a favorite nephew, Lawrence Lewis, the sixth child of Col. Fielding Lewis and Betty Washington, who was the second child of Capt. Andrew who was the second child of the second child of Col. John Washington, the first child of Col. John Washington, West-immigrant to Bridge Creek, Westmoreland county, Va., in 1657. He moreland county, Va., in 1657. He had served meritoriously as a soldier in the revolutionary struggle and toward the close of it was an aide on the staff of Gen. Daniel Morgan. He was much at Mt. Vernon after Washington's retirement from the presidency and the "blessing" of a "good husband" for Nelly when she "would want and deserve one" was bestowed upon her. She and Lawrence

Lewis were married February 22, 1799. Many suitors had sought her hand, to be denied for the one whom her grandfather had chosen and preferred for her over all others. About a month before the happy event the patriot wrote to his nephew, saying: "Your letter of January 10th I received in Alexandria on Monday, whether I went to become the guardian of Nellie, thereby to authorize a license for your nuptials on the 22 of next month." The wedding took place on the last anniversary of his birthday that Washington spent on earth. Great preparations had been made for the event. The parties were widely and favorably known, and everybody had an interest in their marriage. The mansion was decked with flowers and evergreens, and ample provision made for a time of festivity, hospitality and good cheer; and the gentle folk of the surrounding country invited. There were assembled for the occasion the Dandridges, Cuseses, Calverts, Lees, Lewises, Corbys, Ramsays, Fairfaxes, Bushrods, Blackburns, McCartys, Masons, Carrolls and many others. Many distinguished personages of the recent continental campaigns were there also to honor by their presence and congratulations their companion in arms. The ceremony took place in the great drawing room which was

lighted by waxen tapers. To the strains of harpsichord and violin and flute the merry throng went through the mazes of the minuet, gavotte and Virginia reel. Low voices whispered tender words in hall and anteroom, and the mansion soon to be so silent and mournful because of the great chief lying on his sable bier, echoed with mirth and hilarity. It was a brilliant scene and one long and often talked of in after times by those who were the favored participants of the occasion. The picturesque costumes of the colonial days were still in fashion—rich fabrics, brocades, silks and velvets, stomachers and short clothes, jeweled buckles and brooches, powder and ruffles everywhere. Mount Vernon never afterwards witnessed such a scene. In less than a year the glorious career of Washington on earth closed.

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Nellie Custis at eighteen.

By a provision of his last will and testament made July 9th 1799 "all that tract of land" in the county of Fairfax and a portion of the Mount Vernon estate "north of the road leading from the ford of Dogue run to the Gum Spring as described in the devise of the other part of the tract to Bushrod Washington until it comes to the store and three red or Spanish oaks on the back line between Mr. Mason and me; thence with that line westerly along the new double ditch to Dogue run by the tumbling dam of my mill; thence with the said run to the ford aforesaid to which I add all the land I possess west of said Dogue creek, bounded easterly and southerly thereby, together with the mill and distillery and all other houses and improvements on the premises, making together about two thousand acres" was devised as a dower to the aforesaid Major Lewis and Nellie his wife. On this paternal estate these favored subjects of the General's solicitude erected according to his wishes a commodious dwelling, much more pretentious than that of Mount Vernon, indeed the stateliest of all the major houses of the upper Potomac and began the establishment of their new home. Nellie was then about 25 years of age. It had been six years since she followed the remains of her honored grandfather to their last resting place and Martha, her grandmother, had only three years before been laid by his side. They built their dwelling

place three miles inland from Mount Vernon but on a high elevation, so that it commanded a pleasant view of the river and the expanse of Dogue bay and its wide stretching valley. Hardly half of the extensive manor was then cleared and under cultivation. The rest of it was heavily timbered. The soil had not lost all of its virgin richness and abundant crops were produced. Concluded next week. W. H. S.

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